## STATE OF MONTANA



## Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, firefighters across the nation and state put themselves in harm's way to protect homes, offices, wildlands, ranches, and their fellow neighbors; and

WHEREAS, firefighters responding to engulfed structures often risk their lives to save others, carrying them from the dense smoke and intense flames; and

WHEREAS, firefighters brave long hours, sleepless nights, searing temperatures, rugged terrain, unforgiving flames, and time away from loved ones during the course of the unpredictable fire season; and

WHEREAS, firefighters, whether volunteer or career, respond to calls knowing full well the risks, and in answering that call, some have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty, leaving behind grieving families and friends; and

WHEREAS, Firefighters' Day was established in 1999 to recognize and honor firefighters worldwide;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim May 4, 2021 to be

## FIREFIGHTERS' DAY

in Montana to recognize the selfless sacrifices and service of our firefighters.

GREG GIANFORTE

Governor